

What is claimed is:

1. A method for controlling at least one drive train component of a motor vehicle which has a drive apparatus as well as a clutch apparatus arranged in the drive train, an engine control device, and a clutch control device, said method comprising the steps of:

a) controlling the position of at least one predetermined component of the drive apparatus by the engine control device;

b) controlling the position of at least one predetermined component of the clutch apparatus by the clutch control device; and

c) transferring predetermined signals between the engine control device and the clutch control device, which affect the control activities of at least one control device of those control devices.

2. A control device for control of at least one parameter of a motor vehicle drive train that includes a drive apparatus as well as a clutch apparatus arranged in the drive train, an engine control device, and a clutch control device, said control device comprising:

a) an engine control device for controlling the position of at least one predetermined component of the drive apparatus;

b) a clutch control device for controlling the position of at least one predetermined component of the clutch apparatus; and

c) a gradient regulator for causing the engine rotational speed and a transmission

rotational speed to approach each other at an end of a start-up phase.

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